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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
LANSING

KIRK T. STEUDLE  
DIRECTOR

March 1, 2016

Mr. John S. Roberts, Director  
State Budget Office  
111 South Capitol Avenue  
Romney Building, 6th Floor  
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Director Roberts:

Pursuant to Section 385 of Public Act 84 of 2015, this letter contains the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT's) report of activities related to the Gordie Howe International Bridge (GHIB) project (previously known as the New International Trade Crossing [NITC] project) for the first quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2016, or October 1 through December 31, 2015.

During this time, MDOT responded to GHIB-related requests for information from Governor Snyder's office, legislative offices, Transport Canada, the Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA), United States Department of Transportation, and other federal agencies. We have continued to participate in meetings, where needed, in order to facilitate these requests, and work with WDBA to implement the June 2012 Crossing Agreement.

Additionally, MDOT engaged in the following activities during the first quarter:

- Real estate activities, including environmental due diligence, execution of an Environmental Owner's Representative Consultant contract, title and appraisal work, surveying work, scope development for a Demolition Owner's Representative Consultant contract, and property acquisitions.
- MDOT coordinated with the WDBA and Federal Highway Administration to evaluate responses to the Request for Qualifications to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the GHIB, and on development of the Request for Proposals and draft Project Agreement to ensure that they conform to Federal-aid eligibility requirements.
- Pre-relocation planning activities with public and private utilities located within the project footprint.

Canada provided payment to MDOT during the last quarter for invoice billings through August 2015. Enclosed is a summary of GHIB-related expenditures by MDOT during the first quarter of FY 2016, with Canadian funds as the source for these expenditures. There were no GHIB-related payments or expenses incurred by MDOT pursuant to contracts with any vendors, experts, or consultants that were not reimbursable.

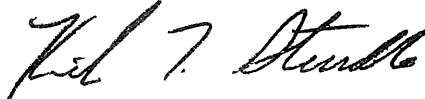
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If you have any questions, please contact either me or Frank Raha, Director, Office of Governmental Affairs, at (517) 373-3946.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk T. Steudle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kirk" being more prominent.

Kirk T. Steudle  
Director

Enclosure

cc: Governor Snyder  
Lt. Governor Brian Calley  
Senate Majority Leader  
Senate Minority Leader  
Speaker of the House  
House Minority Leader  
Senate and House Fiscal Agencies  
Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Transportation

Gordie Howe International Bridge Project  
Fiscal Year 2016 First Quarter Expenditures by MDOT

Description		Expenditures
Staff Costs		\$ 1,013,942.46
Travel/Meal Expenses		\$ 7,960.24
Vehicle/Equipment Usage		\$ 4,706.88
Acquisition Costs		\$ 194,925.30
Fees and Compensation (Consultants)		\$ 588,822.42
Telephone/Other		\$ 15,042.31
Total Expenditures		\$ 1,825,399.61
Amount Reimbursable		\$ 1,825,399.61
Amount Funded by State Transportation Revenues		\$ -